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## A QUARTETTE OF RECEPTIONS.

### ALL FOUR CHURCHES ENTERTAIN ON SAME EVENING.

#### The Faculty and Students of The Normal the Honored Guests.

Friday evening of last week will live in the history of Farmville as reception evening. The Episcopalians, Methodists, Baptists and Presbyterians were gracious and generous hosts and the Normal staff and students were honored guests.

From 5 to 10:30 great crowds gathered in the lecture rooms of the respective churches, exchanged gentle courtesies, indulged in the delights of refined and cultured converse and together feasted on delicate dainties which had been prepared with artistic skill, and which were served in charming and captivating manner. The guests moved from church to church, and for the evening all denominational barriers were removed and there was a happy union of hearts and souls in an unbroken family circle of Christians with a common Father, dwelling together in unity. The scenes were beautiful to look upon and thrilled with inspiration. We know each other better now and will love each other more.

The Presbyterians alone had formal words of greeting and they were spoken by Mr. J. Taylor Thompson. The others relied upon committees of reception who did "welcome the coming and speed the parting guests" with queenly grace and chivalric bearing.

The preachers were present, leaders in things social as well as things spiritual.

The Farmville Silver Band enlivened the evening, going from church to church, stirring the pulse-beat of old and young alike, and speaking to all hearts in a language common to humanity. We say again of Farmville: "Well done."

We read a remarkable contribution in a recent issue of the Home Companion from the pen of a young man who has long tried to be a preacher for three years gave up the fight and assigned as reason that he couldn't be a minister and remain in the ministry.

## WITH OUR ADVERTISERS.

### DRY GOODS MEN TO THE FRONT.

#### Read Their Offerings and Buy At Home.

What of our dry goods merchants among the columns of the Herald which in impressive manner, tell the people of town and country all that they have to offer in this money-making season. They present a formidable array of ladies suits, children's shoes, furnishings, prints, etc. In the quiet of your homes read over what they have to sell, and then be fully prepared to make your selection. And if in doubt, remembering these merchants study to market carefully and well, and endeavor to give you the advantage of their best judgments.

We heard a lady who has just bought one of these stores, say, "It is better and cheaper than one just bought by a friend of mine in one of the big cities."

The thing so why waste even a postage on a mail order? Farmville is a village, and you can buy things at your own doors.

### No Place Like Farmville.

And the burdened housekeepers of Farmville were recently made to pay for 20 eggs. Some relief would be adopted or board. "What a \$14.25 a month must be for eggs, or else the 'simple life' is introduced. In this connection I am reminded of a letter written by one of our housekeepers to a friend who boarded in Farmville for a number of years, paying \$15 a month for three hot, square meals, and a cold one for breakfast. She now lives in touch of the city and counts round trip, but is as fresh as a daisy from light, hot rolls and a cold one from the West. She closes her letter with a tender message to her Farmville cook. There is no place like Farmville, and no wonder the Normal is crowded to the doors.

Is that fellow of yours ever going to get the courage to propose?

Beloved, yes, not. He's like an hourglass.

Yes, the more time he gets the less sand he has.—Cleveland Leader.

## Enormous Expenditure For Light Material.

Editor Herald:—Through the columns of your paper I respectfully ask of our city council for an explanation of the report of the treasurer for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1909, in reference to the electric light department. I note the following in his report: Material, etc., \$3,112.91; by material \$522.18.

One would judge from the above report that the same is not complete, as it shows a deficit in this department of \$2,590.73. Would it not be well to know just how the difference occurs, and if this amount of material is on hand why should such a large amount be expended (I presume) annually for material, when in this item the coal, freight and salaries are not included.

Surely the incidentals, such as oils and repairs would not amount to \$3,112.91 per annum. Further, how many lights are now furnished, arc and incandescent, the price of same for commercial and domestic purposes, the charges for 16, 24 and 36 candle lights, or if there is any difference made in the price of the candle power used? Who knows how many lights I am burning, the size and the candle power, and when was this part of this department properly compared with the charges as made on the books?

These matters should be of interest to our city fathers in whom we have placed this trust, and I believe when properly adjusted will mean a reduction in the price of lights to the patrons of this service.

### CONSUMER.

#### That Mule Tracks.

We read recently of a western farmer who 25 years ago, owned a few acres of land, an ox and a lame mule. One day that mule wandered across the wheat field, much to the horror of the owner of the mule and the wheat field. He afterwards noticed, however, that wherever that lame mule made a track, just there the wheat grew more vigorously than in the untrodden portions of the field. He gathered from it a useful lesson and is now a millionaire farmer. The incident needs no elucidation. All farmers who read this will know just what this farmer proceeded to do with his wheat field.

### What's the Difference.

Editor Herald—I beg to ask through your columns if there is more violation of the sanctity of the Sabbath in running an ice wagon than there is in running a milk wagon that day? Both are necessities and to have the milk without the ice in my opinion would not be a comfort nor a convenience. Many house keepers have no one under their command to send for ice on Sunday morning and not being able to buy improved refrigerators cannot afford to buy on Saturday ice in sufficient quantity to last over until Monday. I regret that all work could not be dispensed with on Sunday but as this would be impossible ice should not suffer in competition with milk, and especially when the cold of winter drives the ice from the field and milk is a thing of all seasons. X.

## SELLS-FLOTO SHOWS.

### THE CIRCUS. JOY OF OLD AND YOUNG

#### Impressive Street Parade, Picturesque and Pleasing Performance.

The circus arrived on Thursday and was greeted with the old-time warmth of welcome. Crowds lined the side walks as the parade passed in review and interest quickened as chariots and clowns, lions and ladies, ponies and pianos, bands and bears, camels and chorus singers passed by. The horses were in good keeping and the noble animal is still the object of universal admiration.

The one-ring and one-clown circus of other days has given place to the two-ring and many clown exhibitions of the present day. This panorama as now unfolded is dazzling as well as alarming. The acrobats are as nimble as ever, the daring riders more daring, the rope walkers as level of head and as clinging of foot, the costumes more glittering, the jokes more laugh producing, and altogether the Sells-Floto scored a success.

And what of the crowd that looked on and laughed? The pen of a Dickens would fail faithfully to picture it, and we run from the effort with the remark that to be appreciated a circus crowd must be seen.

Five hundred Normal girls marching in a body to the circus made a sight worth seeing.

In these physical culture days some people display great agility in dodging taxes.

Herald and N. Y. World \$1.60.

## BOLD BURGLARS.

### MAIN STREET STORES ENTERED.

#### Money and Stamps Appropriated, But No Goods Taken.

While all Farmville was asleep during the quiet hours of last Friday morning, the back doors of four of our Main street stores were broken into, and money and stamps were stolen. The furniture establishment of Mr. W. T. Doyno was entered, a pane of glass having been neatly taken out, and then the door easily opened. Some papers, not of much value, and a small amount in silver coins were found missing in the morning, but no other damage was done.

The entrance to the store of Messrs. R. A. Baldwin & Co., was also effected by first removing a pane of glass, and then the bar was taken from the door. The safe, which was only locked in the inner side, was rifled of \$132.80, but no goods were taken.

The back door of Mr. C. E. Chappell's store was also used as the place of entrance, and Mr. Chappell estimate his loss at between \$10 and \$15 in money and stamps. The bold burglars may have refreshed themselves with the cooling Coca-Cola, but if so the loss hasn't been estimated.

The insurance offices of Messrs. Paulett & McDonald were entered by way of the transom, and only the large key of the back door was found missing. This key had been left in the door for many years past, and Mr. Paulett mourns the loss of an old and familiar friend. The cash drawer contained some notes and coin, was undisturbed, and not even the stamps were taken. What use the thieves will do with the old key is a mystery. They should return it with thanks.

It should be said, in behalf of the regular police of Farmville, that no one of them was on duty during the night, Mayor Blanton having thought best that they should rest, to be ready for next day's work. It being show day. The extra force may have done their duty too, as the breakings in were made from the rear of the stores and in such manner as not to have been attended with much noise. The occurrence is at least rare in Farmville, and the Chief and his co-workers will still maintain their good records.

## THE COIN CAUGHT 'EM.

### "BE SURE YOUR SINS WILL FIND YOU OUT."

Some 19 years ago the factory of Messrs. Paulett & Son was broken into in the night time and some \$400 in currency taken from the safe. Early the next morning Capt. S. W. Paulett was apprised of the robbery and at once made the telegraphic wires warm with messages to the chiefs of police of the different cities and the burglars were promptly arrested in the city of Richmond.

One of the gang was seen going to the express office carrying a cigar box which was tied with a string. He was taken in hands as a suspicious character. Capt. Paulett was telegraphed for, described the contents of the box which contained among other things a number of old and rare coins. Two companions in the crime were promptly taken in charge, all three were returned for trial and in the course of time were landed in the penitentiary, the bulk of the stolen money being returned.

Capt. Paulett still has these old coins and with a number of other curios they make a veritable curiosity shop. And while examining them, as we did with real interest, our attention was called to a cigar which was snugly folded away and which was given to Capt. Paulett by his friend, Mr. E. L. Erambert, as far back as the year 1881.

This veneration for the antique and the venerable is most commendable virtue which the Captain possesses in eminent degree.

Sin is well nigh as old as is righteousness and is no more admirable today than it was on the first day of its existence among the children of men, and yet many things do gather about them much of reverence by virtue of the fact that they are merely old. "The gray head is a crown of glory when found in the ways of righteousness."

Dr. Abernethy, the great English physician, said, "Watch your kidneys. When they are affected, life is in danger." Foley's Kidney Remedy makes healthy kidneys, corrects urinary irregularities, and tones up the whole system. Sold by all druggists.

Cut prices for cash on ladies and children's low shoes, at Fleming & Clark's.

If you want matting or art-squares be sure and see Doyno.

## JUDGE MANN SPEAKS

### ON SHORT NOTICE AND YET A LARGE AND INTERESTED AUDIENCE.

#### Prince Edward Democracy to be Felt on.

Judge Mann addressed the citizens of Prince Edward in the Courthouse on last Tuesday, Judge Hundley yielding the room for the hour. It had been announced that Judge Williams would be here but for some reason not known to us he failed to appear. Dodgers hastily printed were scattered over the town announcing Judge Mann's presence and that he would speak. Just from the Southwest and the Valley he no doubt felt at home in Prince Edward, and the highest compliment we can pay his effort comes from another, and one who did not support him at the primary, but who said: "It was one of the best political speeches I ever heard."

The Judge is at home with his theme, it stirs his heart and he delivers his message as one desperately in earnest. Our limited space forbids more than mention of the speech, and to add that it kindled into fresher glow Democratic enthusiasm on this portion of the line. Elect him? Yes, and by the old-time majority. But that means that every Democrat is expected to do his duty.

### Death of Respected Colored Man.

"Uncle" Patrick Henry or Jefferson, an old and respected resident of Farmville, died on last Saturday, and was buried Sunday afternoon. He belonged to the late Mr. Geo. W. Daniel, and there was a twin brother, who was known as Thomas Jefferson. Mr. Daniel gave them their distinguished names, and though named after big folks they went through life in humble manner, commanding the respect of those who knew him. "Tom" died some years ago.

It has come to this that if the ladies of Farmville will not organize that broom brigade of which the Herald has so often made mention, then we can not hope for such cleanliness of sidewalks as we all should desire to have. Some of our housewives are duly careful in this regard, but many are not.

## TWO MEETINGS.

### Mass Meeting Selected Delegates—Library Meeting Considered Plans

Something new under the sun did happen in Farmville on last Tuesday evening. By some misunderstanding two meetings were advertised for the same hour at the Courthouse, and with unusual promptness the two bodies met and entered the building soon filling it. The one made up of Democrats, the other of friends of a library for Farmville, a majority of them being ladies. The "unfettered" Democrats were given the right of way. Mayor Blanton presided as Chairman of the district, and explained that the object of the meeting was to send delegates to the Senatorial convention to meet at Burkeville on October 1st to nominate a successor to Judge Mann.

Mr. J. Taylor Thompson then offered a resolution reaffirming loyalty to the time-honored principles of Democracy which was adopted with enthusiasm. This was followed by another endorsing the candidacy of Hon. J. J. Owen, and this was carried by large majority. The following delegates to the Burkeville Convention were then chosen: Mayor Blanton, Dr. Gills, Messrs. J. Taylor Thompson and J. E. Johnston. The delegates were empowered to select their alternates.

The meeting then adjourned, when Dr. Kerlin, president of the Library Association took the chair, and in clear and happy manner explained the objects of the second meeting of the evening.

Short, but stirring talks were then made by Mayor Blanton, Dr. Hatcher, Revs. Fugate, Boogher and Hill, Judge Watkins, Dr. Anderson, Mr. H. E. Barrow and Mr. Walker Scott. A committee of ladies in the meantime solicited for members, and so far as we know all present signed the membership roll. The meeting was a signal success, and we feel as designating it as the birthday of the library. And yet we do not forget the earnest and efficient work of Dr. Kerlin and his co-workers, especially among the ladies, which had gone before. But the work is not yet finished, and yet we must continue to uphold their hands and give them our practical sympathy. Farmville needs the library, is able to inaugurate and maintain it, and will do so.

The family tree sometimes bears pretty poor fruit.

## Creamery Notes.

Butter is up, and still going higher. It is reported that the cold storage houses in New York have a million pounds less than usual at this time of the year.

Some shipments of butter are being made to Newport News this week.

One or two car loads of cows from the valley of Virginia will arrive in the next two weeks. All that the creamery needs is more milk.

Some of our most successful farmers are putting in more cows. Mr. Reuben Johns and Mr. James Bailey, of Buckingham, are building silos and buying good cows.

Rev. J. L. Lancaster, of Cumberland, intends to start with twenty cows to furnish cream to the creamery.

Editor Herald:—I regret to learn that the Fair authorities are negotiating for a foreign band to make the music for our Fair, and are made to ask, why not utilize our band? What's the necessity for its existence, if it is not to make music for home folks? It is said that the members of the band cannot leave their places of business during Fair week, and if this be true, how can other young men of other cities be spared from their places of business? This is matter of local concern, and I would add of local pride. C.

### Our Sunday Schools.

The Sunday Schools of all our churches were crowded on Sunday with interested teachers and scholars, and great was the privilege of being of the number. The Bible is text book, not only of the young, but of the old as well. No one ever graduates from this school, for none are ever too old to learn. "Whether in city or country, housed in its own magnificent building, or pining in a dilapidated mountain shack, with thousands of children or with barely a baker's dozen, the Sunday School is today considered the strategic center of the great church militant. The Sunday schools of the United States alone are attended by about 11,500,000 pupils and 1,500,000 teachers." And the Sunday schools supply 85 percent. of all conversions, 75 percent. of all churches, 90 percent. of all christian workers, 95 percent. of all preachers.

Splendid work that—join with the Sunday school workers, and aid in making it more glorious. Without the Sunday, and with no Sunday Schools, and no preaching of the word of God, the training of the secular schools would be of little value.

### An Evening of Music.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Jarman gave a delightful reception and musicale at their beautiful home on High street, Tuesday evening, from nine to twelve, in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Price, of Annapolis, Md.

A charming program was enjoyed, the first part consisting of a piano solo, The Dusk of the God's, Wagner—Mr. Schemmel; tenor solo, A Day Dream, Strelezks—Mr. Mattoon; soprano solo, (a) Adoration, Teima, (b) In May Time, Oley Speaks—Mrs. Price; piano solo, To Spring, Grieg—Mrs. Kerlin; soprano solo, Deserted, McDowell—Miss Minor; duet from Trumpeter of Sakkingen—Dr. and Mrs. Jarman; soprano solo, (a) Thy Dear Eyes, Bartlett, (b) Baby, Siemmon—Mrs. Price.

After an intermission of merry conversation, during which delicious refreshments were served, a delightful audience enjoyed the second part of the program, as follow: Piano solo, Pas des Amphores, Chaminade—Mrs. Kerlin, solo, (a) Three Green Bonnets, Guy de Hardelot, (b) Down the Shadowed Lane, Osgood—Mrs. Price; tenor solo, The Two Grenadiers, Schumann—Dr. Jarman; solo, Too Young for Love, Rotoli—Miss Minor; solo, (a) Good-Bye, Summer, Lynes—(b) Dearest—Mrs. Price, with an encore, Rosalie, by DeKoven.

Miss Andrews played accompaniments for Mrs. Price, Miss Minor and Mr. Mattoon.

All the home musicians are well known and often heard with pleasure, but Mrs. Price's beautiful voice was a new delight to music-lovers of Farmville. Her high, clear soprano is characterized by unusual sweetness, richness, purity and flexibility, while the winsome grace of the singer's manner added charm to each song so expressively interpreted. Mrs. Price showed herself a musician of the most perfect training and experience, singing number after number with untiring ease and faultless enunciation.

Many people delude themselves by saying "It will wear away," when they notice symptoms of kidney and bladder trouble. This is a mistake. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy, and stop the drain on the vitality. It cures backache, rheumatism, kidney and bladder trouble, and makes every trace of pain, weakness and urinary trouble disappear.

## A CITIZENS' MEETING.

### PRACTICAL TALKS ON PRACTICAL SUBJECTS.

#### Town Utilities the Theme of the Evening.

That was a representative body of the business men of Farmville which met in the court room on Friday evening of last week, the object of the meeting being the consideration of town ownership of its utilities.

Mr. W. N. Wilson presided and Judge Watkins, Drs. Winston and Anderson, and Captains S. W. Watkins and S. W. Paulett made addresses. The conclusion of opinions were that the town should have and must have the best water, light and sewer systems possible of attainment. To this end the meeting appointed the following committee: Drs. Winston, Anderson and Mr. W. N. Wilson, and charged them with the duty of co-operating with a like committee already appointed by the town council, and to report the results of their deliberations to another meeting of the citizens to be held in the near future.

Nothing of more genuine public interest just now engages the attention of the people of Farmville, and the hope is that final action will be well and wisely taken. This is no axe grinding scheme, nor one to which any graft will attach. There are no friends to reward nor enemies to punish. The citizens of Farmville only ask for the best governed town in all Virginia, and to this end demand the best in all things. If a private corporation can manage our utilities so as to give best service and at the minimum of cost, ordinary good sense will put them in command, but if not, let Farmville through its chosen agents stand on the deck and steer the craft. Business men will do business things in best and cheapest business ways.

Have you noticed the electric sign at the entrance to the Opera House? It has on city airs, but friend "Bob" West wants to know who is responsible for the spelling. Some one replied: "Maybe Mr. Roosevelt is the author."

## FIRST ENTERTAINMENT COURSE.

### DAYS OF "AULD LANG SYNE."

#### A Select Quartette of Scotch Singers The Attraction.

With a program recalling the bonnie days of "auld lang syne," the Scotch Singers, a select quartette from Glasgow will appear in the Normal Auditorium on next Wednesday night under the auspices of the Farmville Entertainment Course, presenting a distinct novelty in the concert field.

An evening with the Scottish masters of verse and song skillfully and sympathetically interpreted by a group of brilliant women who have lived the life of the land of William Wallace and auld Rob the Ranter has never yet failed to exert a charm peculiar to itself.

At a Burns' anniversary celebration in Hartford, Conn., some time ago, the Glasgow singers were engaged for a special program and according to the local newspapers the songs and recitations aroused to a high pitch of enthusiasm the gathering of lovers of that strange, wild plowman who "made songs while he was stoking."

The company is led by Miss Tina Crawford, known to Glasgow and becoming known in America as the "Scottish Jenny Linn." She has a contralto voice of great power and sweetness, and has won the recognition of some of the most cautious musical critics of the present day. She selected her own associates from a list of several hundred applicants and succeeded, after much work, in accomplishing with them a thorough mastery of a peculiarly difficult and exacting program.

Seats on sale at Freear & Garland's drug store. Price for reserved seat 75 cents.

Dyspepsia is our national ailment. Burdock Blood Bitters is the national cure for it. It strengthens stomach membranes, promotes flow of digestive juices, purifies the blood, builds you up.

### Health and Beauty Aid

Cosmetics and lotions will not clear your complexion of pimples and blotches like Foley's Orino Laxative, for indigestion, stomach and liver trouble and habitual constipation. Cleanses the system, and is pleasant to take. Sold by all druggists.

H. E. Barrow & Co. have just received car Union Grain. Best thing known for dairy purposes.